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Date: 07/23/2019

From: DETROIT

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Case ID #: 9E-DE-3142874

(U//~~FOUO~~) Former U.S. Army Major Claims
Abuse by U.S. Government and Threatens
Disclosure of Classified Information**Synopsis:** (U//~~FOUO~~) Former U.S. Army Major Claims Abuse by U.S.
Government and Threatens Disclosure of Classified Information**Assessment Initiated:** 07/23/2019, set to expire 08/22/2019

Details: University of Michigan PhD Philosophy candidate Ian Fishback (DOB 10/19/1979) is a former United States Army Officer. Fishback recently authored an email to colleagues at University of Michigan (attached) indicating that Fishback had contacted Michigan Congresspersons to report that he had been retaliated against by U.S. Special Operations, the NSA, and/or the CIA. In his email, Fishback complained that certain technologies and tactics had misused in the operations against him. Fishback threatened, "If the US fails to protect me, I will make every attempt to share high level, sensitive classified information with the governments of European Union member states." Fishback then communicated, "I feel justified in doing so because the US has tortured me for the better part of my adult life."

Fishback requested his colleague's assistance in urging Congresswoman Debbie Dingell and the University of Michigan to open an investigation into Fishback's treatment by the "Executive Branch." Fishback communicated that he "might be killed" and that he did not see things working out well for him.

In a separate email dated 07/13/2019, Fishback reported that the U.S. Government had attempted to get Fishback to move to Canada in the past

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In his email, Fishback denied he suffered from mental illness.

On 07/12/2019 The United States Capitol Police contacted the University of Michigan Police Department regarding a subject who had self-identified as "Ian Fishback" in a voicemail directed to U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi. The voicemail reportedly contained a veiled threat. No additional information on the substance of the threat was available at the time of this draft.

The University of Michigan attempted an interview of Fishback but determined he was in Europe speaking at various venues on the topic of "Just War." The University anticipated Fishback would return to the United States some time in July 2019.

Open sources indicate that, in 2005, Fishback was recognized as one of Time Magazine's most influential persons in the United States based on Fishback's communication with Senator John McCain regarding DOD abuse of prisoners in Iraq and Afghanistan.

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Date of entry 08/01/2019

RE: Assessment [REDACTED]

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University of Michigan Professor [REDACTED] was contacted by telephone and was interviewed in support of the referenced Assessment. After being advised of the identity of the interviewer and the nature of the interview, [REDACTED] provided the following information in substance and in part:

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[REDACTED] is a Professor [REDACTED] at the University of Michigan. The [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED] direct telephone number is [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] was responsible for administration of the [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and became acquainted with PhD student Ian Fishback who was serving as a GSI during that term.

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Approximately mid-term in the Fall of 2018, several students began to notice that Fishback was not fully addressing the anticipated teaching materials in his instructional section. In end of class evaluations that [REDACTED] finally reviewed in January 2019, several students reported that, mid-term, something seemed to have changed in Fishback's demeanor that affected his ability to effectively communicate the information on the syllabus. Fishback may have been working with [REDACTED] at the time, but [REDACTED] was not certain that Fishback was assigned as a GSI working with [REDACTED]

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At an end of the year gathering in April 2019, [REDACTED] was present when Fishback made comments relating to Fishback's thoughts concerning a possible justification for killing those who may violate a person's rights. [REDACTED] first overheard Fishback making comments to other graduate students at the party. Fishback then addressed [REDACTED] directly, and then made similar comments on the topic to two other Professors while in [REDACTED] presence. It was [REDACTED] impression that Fishback was simply exploring a theory he was working through as an academic exercise, and was looking for feedback from professors and academic peers. [REDACTED] did not find Fishback's comments threatening in any way, and [REDACTED] had no reason to report the comments to University administration.

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b7CInvestigation on 07/30/2019 at Ann Arbor, Michigan, United States (Phone)File # 9E-DE-3142874Date drafted 07/31/2019

by [REDACTED]

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(U) Interview of University of Michigan

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[REDACTED] is aware that Fishback is in Europe attending one or more conferences and speaking on "Just War" theory. [REDACTED] has no information regarding Fishback's itinerary in Europe or the timing of his return to Michigan. [REDACTED] was not aware of any specifics regarding Fishback's physical or mental health history.

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Form Type: FD-71A

Date: 09/23/2019

Title: U//~~FOUO~~ Former U.S. Army Major Claims Abuse by U.S. Government
and Threatens Disclosure of Classified Inform

Approved By: b6
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Case ID #: 9E-DE-3142874

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Disclosure of Classified Information

Synopsis: U DOCUMENT SYNOPSIS CREATED ON 09-23-2019 10:33 AM--SEE
GUARDIAN FOR CURRENT ASSESSMENT DATA.

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Enclosure(s): Enclosed are the following items:

1. U//~~FOUO~~ Incident report received from the University of Michigan Police Department.
2. U//~~FOUO~~ Closing Summary and Recommendation
3. U Email to SA [REDACTED] from Ian Fishback
4. U//~~FOUO~~ U.S.Capitol Police email re: IAN FISHBACK dtd 07/29/2019
5. U//~~FOUO~~ Michigan DL Photo
6. U//~~FOUO~~ Email from SA [REDACTED] to Ian Fishback (ifis@umich.edu) on 09/11/2019
7. U//~~FOUO~~ University of Michigan PD interview of Philosophy PhD Student Ian Fishback
8. U//~~FOUO~~ U.S. Army Personnel File: Ian Fishback

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Case Report

DIVISION OF
PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Case No. 1990301771
Case Status: Not a Crime or Other Service
Report Date/Time: 4/29/2019 14:09 PM
Reporting Officer: [REDACTED]

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FILE CLASS/OFFENSE:

99009 - Miscellaneous - Non-Criminal

NATURE OF INCIDENT:

9900 PVP Fishback [REDACTED]

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OCCURRED ON:

4/23/2019 6:00:00 PM

(and Between)

4/29/2019 11:45:32 AM

VENUE: 435 S STATE ST 2215 ANN ARBOR, MI ANGELL JAMES B HALL AND TISCH HALL

CITY/TOWNSHIP: 80 - U of M Ann Arbor, Washtenaw

WITNESS: [REDACTED]

RACE:

HGT:

EYES:

SSN:

ADDRESS INFORMATION:

DOB:

SEX:

WGT:

ETH:

DLN:

AGE:

JUV:

HAIR:

Circumstances

DL State

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Phone Information:

Emails:

NOTES:

SUSPECT: Fishback, Ian

U of M Affiliated: Y - Yes

Affiliation Type: Student

UM ID:

Campus Address: 4073 Munger

Alcohol/Drugs: N - No

Affiliation Notes: Philosophy Dept Grad student

DOB: 1/19/1979

AGE: 40

RACE: White

SEX: Male

JUV: N - No

HGT: 5' 8"

WGT: 165

HAIR:

EYES: Brown

ETH:

Circumstances

SMT:

SSN:

DLN: F212326014052

DL State: Michigan

ADDRESS INFORMATION:

S - School: 540 Thompson St., #4073 Ann Arbor, MI 48109

H - Home: 411 Handy St Newberry, MI 49868

Phone Information:

Emails:

ifis@umich.edu

NOTES:

OTHERS: [REDACTED]

ENTITY TYPE

Complainant

U of M Affiliated: [REDACTED]

Affiliation Type: [REDACTED]

UM ID:

Campus Address: 2215 Angell Hall

Alcohol/Drugs: N - No

Affiliation Notes: Philosophy Department

Chief Administrator

DOB:

AGE:

RACE:

SEX:

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Case No. 1990301771

Report Date/Time 4/20/13 4:10 PM

Reporting Officer [REDACTED]

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Facial Hair
SSN
DI Number
Employer/School
Occupation/Grade.

WGT:
ETH:
Attire:
POB:
DL State:
Employer Address:

HAIR:
Complexion

Resident:
DL Country.

ADDRESS INFORMATION

W - Work [REDACTED]

Phone Information.

W - Work (734) 647-4006

Emails:

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Report Date Time 7/15/2019 2:38 PM
Reporting Officer [REDACTED]

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NARRATIVE

U.M. ID# [REDACTED]
7/15/2019 2:38 PM
NARRATIVE

Potentially Violent Person:

LOCATION

Angell Hall, 435 S. State St., Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

REPORT RECEIVED

The [REDACTED] forwarded e-mail messages to DPSS regarding a graduate student's comments regarding when it may be "justifiable to kill people who violated your liberty".

OFFICER RESPONSE:

Officer [REDACTED]

COMPLAINANT INTERVIEW

I responded to the Philosophy Department office at #2215 in Angell Hall in an attempt to interview the complaint and possible witnesses. [REDACTED] is out of the office for the day.

All other possible witnesses including [REDACTED] were also not available.

SUSPECT INTERVIEW:

I responded to Munger Residence Hall [REDACTED] in an attempt to contact PVP Ian Fishback. I made contact with Fishback's suitemate [REDACTED] stated Fishback travelled to Europe on 4/25/19 with plans to visit several countries. Fishback is expected to return to Ann Arbor in July of 2019. I left my business card with [REDACTED] and requested her to forward my contact information to Fishback.

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SUSPECT BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

PVP suspect Ian Fishback, W/M, DOB 1-19-79 is a graduate student in the UofM Philosophy Department.

LEIN records show Fishback has a valid Michigan license and no warrants.

CCH records for Fishback show no record of any criminal history.

Weapons registration records show no weapons for Fishback

Fishback is reported to be divorced, ex-wife and children currently live [REDACTED]

INFORMATION:

Philosophy graduate students including [REDACTED] met with Fishback on 4/23/19 at the "End of the Year" Town Hall department meeting from 6:30pm to 8:00pm. Fishback was speaking openly asking colleagues during this meeting if it was "justifiable to kill people who violated your liberty"

On this date, 4-29-19, Fishback sent an e-mail message to fellow graduate students including [REDACTED] expressing extremely negative opinions about the Philosophy Department. This e-mail message has been attached to this report within the Call For Service narrative

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Reporting Officer: [REDACTED]

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No specific letters of concern were received from Fishback. Fellow students and Faculty in the Philosophy Department expressed concern for Fishback's behavior due to the nature of his negative statements. Fishback is reported to be out of the country as of 4/25/19 until an unknown date in July of 2019.

In the event Fishback becomes available to be interviewed, this report will be supplemented with further information.

CASE STATUS:

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Narrative:

FOLLOW UP INFORMATION:

Multiple attempts to contact Ian Fishback and conduct an interview have failed. Fishback is reported to be out of the country at this time. Fishback did respond to one e-mail indicating he was unavailable while out of the country. An e-mail request for Fishback to call UoM Police to be interviewed over the phone resulted in one phone call received by dispatch on 5-02-19, but Fishback did not remain on hold long enough for an officer reach a phone and could not be re-contacted.

CONTINUED BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Fishback has been attending UoM as a graduate student since 2012, earning two masters degrees and currently near completion of a PhD from the Philosophy Department on the topic of "Just War Theory".

Fishback is a retired US Military officer, U.S. Army Special Forces, achieved the rank of Major, West Point graduate. Fishback received notoriety in 2006 listed as one of Time Magazine's 100 most influential people after sending a letter to Senator John McCain regarding the abuse of military prisoners.

A significant amount of information about Fishback's background can be found on the internet including Wikipedia.

Faculty and Staff in the Philosophy Department reported they have never known Fishback to be a violent person. Fishback is reported to have paranoid notions of the government using unknown methods to control him. Fishback has been known to be a patient at the VA Hospital, but it is currently unknown what treatment or medication if any is being provided.

Fishback is currently conducting a guest speaker tour on the topic of "Just War Theory" in Europe including at Oxford University in England.

CASE STATUS:

Closed

Officer Narrative

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Subject 9900 PVP Ex. Check [REDACTED]

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Entered by [REDACTED]

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b7C**U-M Mandatory Report [CSA] has been submitted**

1 message

U-M Mandatory Reporting <dpss-clery-compliance@umich.edu>
 Reply-To: U-M Mandatory Reporting <dpss-clery-compliance@umich.edu>
 To: [REDACTED] dpss-clery-compliance@umich.edu

Mon, Jul 15, 2019 at 2:28 PM

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Report number is #191960001

Sender username: [REDACTED]

Your Name: [REDACTED]
 Your work phone:
 Your cell phone:

Date/time reported to CSA: 07/15/2019 01:00 PM

Date/time incident occurred: 07/13/2019 03:32 AM

Location of incident:

Unknown location: YES

Crime:

[REDACTED]

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Name: Unknown

Race:

Gender:

Age:

Hair:

Height:

Weight:

Glasses:

Relationship/Survivor:

Additional info:

Description:

Description:

----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]
 Date: Mon, Jul 15, 2019 at 1:11 PM
 Subject: Fwd: Head's Up
 To: [REDACTED]

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From: Ian Fishback <ifs@umich.edu>
 Date: Sat, Jul 13, 2019 at 3:32 AM
 Subject: Re: Head's Up
 To: [REDACTED]
 Cc: [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]

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Good morning,

Since some of you expressed disappointment at my lack of specificity, here are some details. There have been attempts to make myself and others feel that I have a mental illness. I know that I do not have a mental illness. Some of you know this too. For example, I am currently in Europe and everything is better when I cross certain national borders. Mental illnesses don't respect national borders. Intelligence agencies do respect national borders. This is not rocket science. The US government has tried to get me to move to Canada in the past and now its trying to get me to move to Europe. It is also trying to force me out of U-M. I have been tortured while I'm at U-M. Among other things, my work has been severely disrupted, I've been sexually harassed, and I've been raped. That is the cliff notes version. U-M has either

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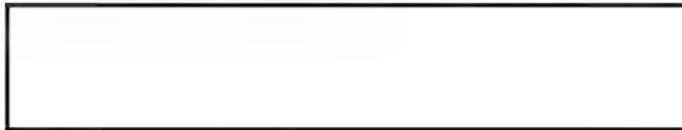
intentionally behaved in a reverse racist and reverse sexist manner or, as I suspect is most likely, has been set up to do these things. People at UM know this and are being cowardly. Those people need to get up, call Congresswoman Dingell and call the Dean/President of the University. I don't care that there are people on this distro who don't know what's going on. I'm not giving veiled threats to anyone. I'm making an overt promise that if I find out someone has evidence about this and illegally and immorally refrains from sharing that information, I will do everything in my power to send that person to prison when the dust clears and this is over. To the best of my knowledge, liberty of your polity is at stake. I may be back in September to give a fuller account, or I may seek asylum in Europe. If you're doing the right thing, great! You're a moral person. If you're not, and we get to the back end of this I'll hold you legally accountable for being a terrible person. Cheers, Ian



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On Fri, Jul 12, 2019 at 11:59 AM Ian Fishback <ifis@umich.edu> wrote:

I told you what you need to do. Do it.
If you have evidence and you withhold it, I will do everything I can to send you to prison when this is over.



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On Fri, Jul 12, 2019 at 1:49 AM Ian Fishback <ifis@umich.edu> wrote:

Correcting for typos and re-sending to different email addresses:
Hi All,

This is a follow up from my earlier email. I contacted the offices of several Congresspersons and Senators yesterday, including Representative Dingell. I told them that I've been retaliated against by US Special Operations, the NSA, and/or the CIA. The nature of the operation is such that it completely undermines my credibility unless the Congressional Oversight Committees look into the matter and find out the technology and tactics that have been misused. I specifically said that people at UM know that something is going on, they are probably misled to think its benign and/or justified, and they should reach out to you.

Please contact the office of Representative Dingell and share your support and any information you might have. It is illegal to claim that you cannot share information with you elected representatives. A non-disclosure statement does not bind you in this way. You might have to vaguely tell Representative Dingell that you can substantiate my claims and then provide full disclosure to the Congressional Intelligence Oversight Committees.

If the US fails to protect me, I will make

every attempt to share high level, sensitive classified information with the governments of European Union member states. I feel justified in doing so because the US has tortured me for the better part of my adult life.

If you think I have a mental illness, have done anything inappropriate, or should have my testimony disregarded for any other reason you are wrong. Some of you know how powerful this technology is, it is not a leap of faith to realize how it could be misused. Some of those persons are in the Michigan Graduate Student Running Group and others are in the UM Philosophy Department.

The operation has been carried out in such a manner that I believe the US political left, academia, and UM in particular might be a target. Don't overreact; just get the University of Michigan and Representative Dingell involved to open an investigation into the executive branch regarding my treatment.

In 2008, before leaving office, President Bush signed an Executive Order that allowed Special Operations Command (my former unit) to conduct operations without Presidential review. That means that subsequent Presidents might not know the way I've been treated. Furthermore, I get hit hard every Presidential election year (2008, 2012, 2016) between June and December. My hypothesis is that this time is when Presidential and Congressional Oversight of executive agencies is most lax. That also means the next big move is Summer and Winter 2020.

I get the sense UM has been misled about the overall nature of what's going on. It's best to confront this now rather than wait. Thanks, Ian

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life. If you think I have a mental illness, have done anything inappropriate, or should have my testimony disregarded for any other reason you are wrong. Some of you know how powerful this technology is. It is not a leap of faith to realize how it could be misused.

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In 2008, before President Bush signed an Executive Order that allowed Special Operations Command (my former unit) to conduct operations without Presidential review. That means that subsequent Presidents might not know the way I've been treated. Furthermore, I get his hand every Presidential election year (2008, 2012, 2016) between June and December. My hypothesis is that this time is when Presidential and Congressional Oversight of executive agencies is most lax. That also means the next big move is Summer and Winter 2020.

I get the sense UM has been misled about the overall nature of what's going on. It's best to confront this now rather than wait. Thanks, Ian

On Tue, Jun 18, 2019 at 1:46 PM Ian Fishback <ifs@umich.edu> wrote:

Colleagues,
I talked to Amnesty International today and asked them to put me in touch with US

Congressional
Intelligence
Oversight
Committee
members and
representatives
of the
European
Union.
I've been
brutally
mistreated for
over a decade
now and the
overall
structure is
such that it
undermines
the credibility
of my
testimony in
fundamental
ways. There is
a strong
possibility that
the CIA or US
Special
Operations is
involved and
that they are
avoiding both
Presidential
and
Congressional
oversight.
Because the
activity is
political in
nature and a
threat to
everyone's
liberty, I'm
challenging it
even though
my prospects
for success
seem slim. My
principal
objective is to
provide
testimony that
is not believed
now but that
will provide
increased
credibility to
future victims.
For those with
more intimate
knowledge of
my experience
at UM, keep in
mind that the
events of the
last 4+ years
take place
within a
context of over
a decade of
mistreatment
with an intent
to accomplish
illegitimate
political
objectives. If
you had a fuller
picture, the
degree to
which my
rights were
violated would
shock and
horrify you.
Some of you
have
information

that is
important to
creating a
holistic picture
for others. Be
prepared to
provide
testimony
regarding that
information. To
the many of
you who don't
know anything,
I apologize for
including you.
This has been
hellish for me,
it violated
almost every
human right
governments
are supposed
to secure for
persons and I'll
be demanding
legal
accountability
for those who
betrayed the
Republic. The
good news is
that I'm still
sucking air and
capable of
contributing to
the liberty of
others.
I don't know
what the
implications
will be for you
if you testify to
the full truth,
but there is a
moral duty to
do so. The
bottom line is
that this is
about a lot
more than me
or you. It's
about
protecting
basic human
rights for
everyone.
I anticipate that
I might be
killed as I
press forward
and I don't
really see this
working out
well for me.
Provide as
much
information as
you can, even
if I die or am
thoroughly
discredited.
For now, I
anticipate no
change to my
job
applications or
PhD thesis.

Ian

[redacted]
[redacted] University
of Michigan
[redacted] 435 South State Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1003 [redacted]

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Department of Philosophy
University of Michigan
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email: [redacted]
phone: [redacted]
fax: [redacted]

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Other:

Was the person who
reported the incident
to you referred to
other University
resources?

Other:

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Case Report

DIVISION OF
PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Case No. 1990302665
Case Status: Inactive
Report Date Time: 7/12/2019 11:42:01 AM
Reporting Officer: [REDACTED]

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FILE CLASS/OFFENSE:

99008 Miscellaneous - Assist to Other Police Agency

NATURE OF INCIDENT:

99008 Assist Other Agency Fishback [REDACTED]

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OCCURRED ON: 7/12/2019 11:42:01 AM

(and Between)

VENUE: 1239 KIPKE DR ANN ARBOR, MI CAMPUS SAFETY SERVICES BUILDING

CITY/TOWNSHIP: 82 - U of M Ann Arbor, Washtenaw

OTHERS: Fishback, Ian
U of M Affiliated: Y - Yes
Affiliation Type: Student
UM ID:
Campus Address:
Alcohol/Drugs: N - No
Affiliation Notes

ENTITY TYPE

Other Person

RACE: White

HGT: 5' 8"

EYES: Brown

Facial Hair:

SSN

DOB: 1/19/1979

SEX: Male

WGT: 165

ETH:

Attire:

POB:

AGE: 40

JUV: N - No

HAIR:

Complexion:

Resident: Resident of the community, city, or town
where the offense occurred

DL Country:

DL Number: F212326014052

Employer/School:

Occupation/Grade:

DL State: Michigan

Employer Address:

ADDRESS INFORMATION:

S - School: 540 Thompson St., #4073 Ann Arbor, MI 48109

H - Home: 411 Handy St Newberry, MI 49868

Phone Information:

Emails:

ifis@umich.edu

NOTES:

OTHERS: [REDACTED]
U of M Affiliated: N - No
Affiliation Type:
UM ID:
Campus Address:
Alcohol/Drugs: N - No
Affiliation Notes

ENTITY TYPE

Other Person

RACE

HGT

EYES

Facial Hair

SSN

DL Number:

Employer/School

Occupation/Grade:

DOB:

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DL State:

Employer Address:

AGE:

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Complexion:

Resident:

DL Country:

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Case Report

Case No. 1990302665

Report Date/Time 7/12/2019 12:00 AM

Reporting Officer [REDACTED]

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NARRATIVE

[REDACTED]
7/12/2019 12:00 PM
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Assist Other Agency - United States Capitol Police

LOCATION

Campus Safety Service Building
1239 Kipke Dr. Ann Arbor, MI 48109

INFORMATION

On 7/12/2019 I was contacted by SrA [REDACTED] for the United States Capitol Police Investigations Division. [REDACTED] advised he was investigating an incident where a subject called the office of Speaker of the House, Rep. Nancy Pelosi. The subject made veiled threats and hung up. The subject said his name was Ian Fishback. [REDACTED] requested any information for a Ian Fishback, a Graduate Student at University of Michigan. I completed a search for Fishback in SRMS and located a PVP report on Fishback (1990301771). I made contact with [REDACTED] and provided him the requested information.

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CASE STATUS:

Closed.

ADDRESS INFORMATION

Phone Information

Emails

Work [REDACTED]

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Work [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED] (DET) (FBI)
To: [REDACTED] (DET) (FBI)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FBI Request for Interview
Date: Wednesday, September 11, 2019 2:41:00 PM

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Mr. Fishback:

Greetings and welcome back from your travels in the EU. As University of Michigan Police Officer [REDACTED] may have mentioned during your meeting last week, I am an FBI Agent based out of the Detroit Division's Ann Arbor Resident Agency - located here in Ann Arbor at 200 East Liberty, Suite 360. It is my understanding that you have alleged United States Federal Government employees have violated your rights, possibly by means of classified technology. It is also my understanding that you are seeking legal accountability for the alleged violations of your rights, including your rights to privacy and freedom of association. I take these allegations very seriously and would like to speak with you at your earliest convenience. I understand that you have already communicated your concerns to members of the United States Congress, but believe that the FBI has relevant federal investigative jurisdiction with respect to your complaints.

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Please let me know if you have any time to sit down and provide some background. We could meet in our offices here on Liberty or I would be happy to meet you at a place that works best for your schedule.

Respectfully:

Special Agent [REDACTED]

FBI Detroit (Ann Arbor Resident Agency)

200 East Liberty, Suite 360

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Ann Arbor, Michigan

Office [REDACTED]

Desk [REDACTED]

email [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] (DE) (FBI)
To: Ian.Fishback
Subject: RE: FBI Request for Interview
Date: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 8:22:00 AM

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Sir

Thank you for the reply. As noted below, I'm available to meet and talk at any time.

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Special Agent: [REDACTED]
Office: [REDACTED]
Desk: [REDACTED]
Cell: [REDACTED]

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From: Ian Fishback [mailto:ifis@umich.edu]
Sent: Monday, September 16, 2019 2:03 PM
To: [REDACTED] (DE) (FBI) [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FBI Request for Interview

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Hello Special Agent [REDACTED]
It might be useful for us to meet, but I have notified Congresswoman Dingell's office of my concerns and she requested information from the DoD, NSA, and CIA. I am waiting for a response. If there is none or it is inadequate, then we should meet.

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Sincerely,
Ian

On Wed, Sep 11, 2019 at 11:42 AM [REDACTED] (DE) (FBI) [REDACTED] wrote:

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Respectfully,

Special Agent [REDACTED]
FBI Detroit (Ann Arbor Resident Agency)
200 East Liberty, Suite 360
Ann Arbor, Michigan
Office [REDACTED]
Desk [REDACTED]
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INFORMATION:

On 9/6/2019 I made contact with Ian Fishback via telephone. I asked Fishback if he would be willing to speak to me. Fishback stated he was at his apartment and I could come to meet him there.

STATEMENT OF FISHBACK.

I made contact with Ian Fishback at his apartment in Munger Residence Hall. I asked Fishback how long he had been a student at U of M. He said he had been a student from 2010 to 2012 while getting his master's degree. Fishback stated he has been at the University since 2015 for his Ph.D. I asked Fishback where he is in the process of getting his Ph.D. Fishback said he is prepared to defend his dissertation in December of this year. Fishback explained if he gets a good job offer he is prepared to leave but if he does not he still has two more years to work on his dissertation.

I told Fishback that I was there to follow up on concerns about the comments he made. I explained the comment was something like "would it be justified to kill someone who violates someone else's liberty." Fishback responded saying, "I said I would prosecute them to the full extent of the law." Fishback stated he has the email somewhere and could show me. He stated he had sent this email to the department because his rights have been violated. Fishback said a lot of this is from when he was in the Army, adding that is where he was before coming to U of M. Fishback stated "it is way above anything you could understand, I am talking to Congresswoman Dingell's office about it." He explained his primary problem is with the Army but there are enough people at U of M who know what is going on and they should be doing something about it. Fishback said if he finds out that someone had enough knowledge to do something and did not, he would prosecute them.

I asked Fishback what is the expectation for someone at U of M to do with regards to the Army. Fishback advised he did not owe me an explanation of this. Fishback explained he knows something happened with the Army, which was bad. He knows that some people at U of M have some knowledge of it. Fishback added he does not know if they have enough knowledge that he should hold them responsible. Fishback said, "I have made contact with Congresswoman Dingell and among other things, I have been raped, so it's serious stuff."

I asked Fishback when he says he was raped if he is saying he was sexually assaulted while at U of M. Fishback advised the sexually assault occurred while he was faculty at West Point. Fishback stated when he came to U of M in 2015 he did not know the full extent of what was going on. Fishback said that there is no way to explain it to me that would be plausible. Fishback explained his message to U of M was if someone knew about what was going on and did nothing about it, he would prosecute them to the full extent of the law. He said this is very wrong and he will not tolerate it. Fishback explained they should not try to cover their tracks and go the wrong way. He added, if they want to come to him and say what is going on, then he will be a team player.

I asked Fishback if he currently thinks that someone has this knowledge or if he is saying that if he later finds out they did, he would prosecute. Fishback stated if he later found out, he would prosecute. Fishback explained he got entangled with high ranking generals, a former President of the United States and the CIA. He said he would appreciate if U of M would help him out. Fishback stated he plans to contact the Dean of Student to see if there are things they can do. Fishback stated he is still fielding good job offers, so this has not derailed his career.

Officer Narrative

DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Case No. 1990301771

Subject Fishback [REDACTED]

Entered On 9/10/2019 9:10:59 AM

Entered By [REDACTED]

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I asked Fishback if Congresswoman's Dingell's office had been able to help him. Fishback stated not yet but he has been in contact with [REDACTED] from Dingell's office. He told [REDACTED] to reach out to the Armed Services Oversight Committee and the Intelligence Oversight Committee. Fishback explained he was in Special Forces and believes that is where the linchpin is.

I told Fishback that part of my job was to make sure that people feel safe on campus, so they can be successful. I added that with all that he had going on I would try to assist him, so he could be successful as well. I explain that his situation may be too complicated for me to understand, but I had other contacts that may be able to him. I explained that I have previously worked with Special Agent [REDACTED] from the FBI. That [REDACTED] may be able to better assist/understand his situation. I provided Fishback with [REDACTED] business card.

I asked Fishback if he ever had any intent to assault anyone and he said no. I asked Fishback if any of the other staff members had spoken to him about this and he said no. Fishback said he had sent the email this summer while he was out of the country. Fishback explained he was following up with Europe Intelligence Agencies. He said he was telling them about some of the stuff that happened to him. Fishback said he asked them if they knew anything and if they could help him out. Fishback stated this is when he sent the email to U of M to let them know if any of them are involved, now is the time to come forward. Fishback explained he never said, "I will kill you, I said I will prosecute you." I asked Fishback who the email went to. Fishback advised the whole department.

I provided Fishback with my business card. I told him to let me know if there was anything I could do to assist him.

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INVESTIGATION:

I did not find any additional information that would give cause to believe Fishback is a threat to campus. I made contact with Special Agent [REDACTED] and advised him of my contact with Fishback.

CASE STATUS:

Closed

at University of Michigan (attached) indicating that Fishback had contacted Michigan Congresspersons to report that he had been retaliated against by U S Special Operations the NSA and/or the CIA. In his email Fishback complained that certain technologies and tactics had misused in the operations against him. Fishback threatened "If the US fails to protect me I will make every attempt to share high level sensitive classified information with the governments of European Union member states." Fishback then communicated "I feel justified in doing so because the US has tortured me for the better part of my adult life."

Fishback requested his colleague's assistance in urging Congresswoman Debbie Dingell and the University of Michigan to open an investigation into Fishback's treatment by the Executive Branch." Fishback communicated that he might be killed and that he did not see things working out well for him.

In a separate email dated 07/13/2019 Fishback reported that the U S Government had attempted to get Fishback to move to Canada in the past and was now attempting to get him to move to Europe. Fishback complained that the U S Government was trying to force him out of the University of Michigan. Fishback reported that he had been tortured at the University of Michigan and that he had been both sexually harassed and raped while at the University of Michigan.

In his email Fishback denied he suffered from mental illness.

On 07/12/2019 The United States Capitol Police contacted the University of Michigan Police Department regarding a subject who had self identified as "Ian Fishback" in a voicemail directed to U S House Speaker Nancy Pelosi. The voicemail reportedly contained a veiled threat. No additional information on the substance of the threat was available at the time of this draft.

The University of Michigan attempted an interview of Fishback but determined he was in Europe speaking at various venues on the topic of "Just War." The University anticipated Fishback would return to the United States some time in July 2019.

Open sources indicate that in 2005 Fishback was recognized as one of Time Magazine's most influential persons in the United States based on Fishback's communication with Senator John McCain regarding DOD abuse of prisoners in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Subjects

(U//~~FOUO~~) Ian Fishback (Male 01/19/1979)

Other Information: Former United States Army Officer
and Army Point Guard

US Person: Yes

Subject Type: Man

Device License: F212326014352 MI

Attachments: (U//~~FOUO~~) Michigan Doc Photo (69.5 KB)

Attachments

Notes

(U//~~FOUO~~) CONUS Return Flight Information for Ian Fishback

Authorized: At less examine FB/DOJ records and obtain information from FB/DOJ personnel

Method:

Description: On 07/26/2019 Detroit FBI JTTF DTW ALA Agent [redacted] reported that Ian Fishback was scheduled to return to Detroit Wayne International Airport (DTW) on August 10, 2019 at 8:10 p.m. on Delta Flight 19. SA [redacted] then passed the return flight information to University of Michigan. It [redacted] via email and Detective [redacted] via telephone.

Status: Approved

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History

07/26/2014 11:21:22 AM Created Note: COAALF Return Flight Information [redacted] ([redacted])
for Ian F Snodgrass
07/27/2014 10:00:02 AM Submitted Note for approval [redacted] ([redacted])
07/30/2014 09:06:15 AM Approved Note [redacted] ([redacted])
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(U//~~FOUO~~) Review of U.S. Army Personnel File: Ian Fishback

Authorized: Access/examine to FBI/DOJ records and obtain information from FBI/DOJ personnel

Method:

Defendants: Other:

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b7E(U//~~FOUO~~) April 2019 Email from Ian Fishback to Philosophy Department and Associated Email

Authorized Method: Account voluntarily provided information by governmental or private entities

Description: Per request from SA [REDACTED] on 06/01/2019 University of Michigan Detective [REDACTED] forwarded an April 2019 email from University Philosophy PhD Student Ian Fishback and an associated email from a fellow PhD student. The April 2019 email had been referenced in a University of Michigan Police Report but had not been attached to the copy of the report forwarded to the FBI. The email is now attached and the text of the communication is set out below.

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On April 29, 2019 at 11:15:32 AM, Ian Fishback (ifis@umich.edu) wrote:
Dear named graduate student and other graduate students:

I am at Oxford and cannot attend the town hall meeting. I do not think it is wise to assign any jobs to me for I may be departing the University of Michigan sometime during next academic year. Were I at the meeting, I would voice concern that the department as a collective and many of the individual graduate students lack the intellect and honor requisite of professional scholars often entrusted with moral education. Your duplicitous five years of my life when I was entrusted with my education for future service. This was to the detriment of me personally and society as a whole. I've discouraged good men and women from joining the University of Michigan and would not entrust my daughter to your care. Were she of age to attend university, I you think I am the only University of Michigan graduate student who has this opinion, you are ignorant. Engage others to overcome the gaps in your knowledge and you might be surprised what you learn. Then again, I maybe not.

My concerns are well enough known to some of you. Others may be justifiably caught by surprise. Any event, [REDACTED] essay also issues one of the University of Michigan's principal intellectual and moral failures, which is found to a lesser degree elsewhere in the Academy. The last two paragraphs are most salient.

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My sincere hope is that you learn and become worthy man and woman in that 3rd word and deed. There is much work to be done. A candidate who is a greatly more honest, caring, many character traits some of you have discussed or at the least a meeting would be an apt beginning.

With respect, Sir

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

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Status: Approved

History:

08/06/2019 10:56:26 AM Created note: April 26, 19 Email from an
Feedback to Philosophy Department and
Associated Email
08/06/2019 10:59:21 AM Submitted for approval
08/06/2019 11:52:29 AM Recall note
08/06/2019 11:52:48 AM Submitted note for approval
08/06/2019 12:26:13 PM Approve note

[Redacted] (1/1/2019 11:52:29 AM)

[Redacted] (1/1/2019 11:52:29 AM)

[Redacted] (1/1/2019 11:52:29 AM)

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(U) Coordination Meeting with University of Michigan Police Department 08/08/2019

Authorized: Administrative note for informational purposes

Method:

Description: On 08/08/2019 SA [Redacted] met with University of Michigan Police Officer [Redacted]
[Redacted] to discuss the threat assessment evaluation, PhD candidate, an E-mail

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and plans for approach and interview upon Fishback's anticipated return from Europe prior to the first week of August.

Status: Approved

History:

02/09/2019 11:39:21 AM Created note: Coordination Meeting with University of Michigan Police Department
06/03/2019

08/09/2019 11:53:13 AM Summary note for ~~FOUO~~ vs.
08/09/2019 12:28:13 PM Approve note

[REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)

[REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)
[REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Updated CONUS Return Flight information for Ian Fishback

Authorized: Access/examine FBI/DOJ records and obtain information from FBI/DOJ personnel

Method:

Databases checked:

Other:

Description: On 08/28/2019 Detroit FBI JTFE DTW A.A. Agent [REDACTED] reported that Ian Fishback was scheduled to return to Detroit Wayne International Airport (DTW) via Amsterdam on September 5, 2019. Delta Flight 14. SA [REDACTED] passed the return flight information to University of Detroit [REDACTED] via email.

Status: Approved

History:

02/26/2019 10:58:42 AM Created note: Updated CONUS Return Flight information for Ian Fishback

03/26/2019 11:04:41 AM Summary note for approval

08/17/2019 02:44:24 PM Approve note

[REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)

[REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)

[REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)

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(U//~~FOUO~~) University of Michigan PD interview with Ian Fishback

Authorized: Accept voluntarily provided information by governmental or private entities

Method:

Description: On 09/05/2019 Ian Fishback was interviewed by University of Michigan Police Detective [REDACTED]. This interview report is attached for summary. Fishback denied that he ever threatened anyone at the University of Michigan. SA [REDACTED] was advised of the interview in advance and met with [REDACTED] to discuss this interview. Based on Fishback's apparent candor with respect to the Federal Executive Department [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] agreed

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that it would be better if the FBI did not participate in the initial U of M PD interview following Fishback's referral from Fishback on 09/15/2019.

On 09/11/2019 SA [REDACTED] sent an email to Fishback indicating that FBI Detroit Division (AARA) was aware that he had been interviewed by U of M PD and was prepared to meet with Fishback and not allow any of his evidence or contacts regarding allegations of Executive Department if this product (see Attached Email).

Status:

Attachments:

(U//~~FOUO~~) University of Michigan PD interview of Philosophy PhD Student Ian Fishback (112 KB)
(U//~~FOUO~~) email from SA [REDACTED] to Ian Fishback (13 KB) on 09/11/2019 (37 KB)

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History:

09/16/2019 02:29:57 PM Created task: University of Michigan PD interview with Ian Fishback [REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)
09/13/2019 02:41:30 PM Submitted for approval [REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)
09/16/2019 02:51:51 PM Approved for approval [REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)

(U//~~FOUO~~) Reporting Email contact with Ian Fishback on 09/16/17/2019

Authorized:

Administrative note for informational purposes

Method:

Description:

On 09/16/2019 Ian Fishback responded via email (fishback@umich.edu) to the request he appeared for an FBI interview in Ann Arbor, MI indicating that he had made information requests of DoD, CIA and NSA through Congresswoman Dingell's office. Fishback communicated that he wanted to wait until that information was distributed before meeting with the FBI. Fishback reported that the information requests were not forthcoming or were inadequately produced. Fishback's right to meet and speak with the FBI.

On 09/17/2019 SA [REDACTED] responded to Fishback noting that SA [REDACTED] was available to meet with Fishback at any time.

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Fishback's communication to SA [REDACTED] was forwarded to University of Michigan Police Department Detective [REDACTED] for information.

Status:

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Attachments:

See Email to SA [REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~) Ian Fishback (38 KB)

History:

09/17/2019 10:10:48 AM Created task: Reporting Email Contact with Ian Fishback on 09/16/17/2019 [REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)
09/17/2019 10:11:07 AM Submitted for approval [REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)
09/18/2019 03:26:53 PM Approved [REDACTED] (U//~~FOUO~~)

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Assessment Summary and Recommendation for Closure

Authorized:

Administrative note for informational purposes

Method:

Descriptor: See attached assessment summary and recommended closing
 Status: Approved
 Attachments: (U//~~FOUO~~) Closing Summary and Recommendation (33.5 KB)

History

09/23/2019 09:17:22 AM Created Note: Assessment Summary and [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)
 Recommended for Closure
 09/23/2019 09:22:13 AM Submitted for approval [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)
 09/23/2019 10:22:10 AM Approved [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)

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(U//~~FOUO~~) Created Referral: Other Local/State/Tribal Agency

Authorized: Administrative Note for informational purposes
 Method:
 Description: Base line
 Status: Approved

History

09/24/2019 10:21:09 AM Created Note: Created Referral: Other Local/State/Tribal Agency [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)
 09/23/2019 10:22:46 AM Approved [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)

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Referrals

(U//~~FOUO~~) Other Local/State/Tribal Agency

Agency Name: [redacted] University of Michigan Police Department
 Date Received: 09/16/2019
 Person to who: Detective [redacted]
 the mode it is referred:
 Contact information: [redacted]

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It is noted that the individual or group identified during this Assessment does not wait for further FBI investigation at this time. Any dissemination of information from this Assessment regarding the individual or group identified must include a report that is caveat with this shared information. It is recommended that this Assessment be closed.

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07/17/2019 01:40:09 PM Created Incident

Assigned By [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)Assigned To [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)

07/17/2019 02:03:00 PM Incident submitted for opening

Assigned By [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)Assigned To [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)

07/17/2019 02:11:00 PM Incident assigned for pre assessment

Assigned By [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)Assigned To [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)

07/23/2019 08:40:00 AM Incident submitted from pre assessment

Assigned By [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)Assigned To [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)

07/23/2019 10:42:18 AM Incident opened

Assigned By [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)Assigned To [redacted] (U//~~FOUO~~)

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UNCLASSIFIED//~~FOUO~~**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION****Dissemination of Information to Other Agencies**

Title: (U) Request Authorization to share
information with Veterans Administration,
Saginaw Michigan,

Date: 03/11/2021

Approved By: SSRA [REDACTED]

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Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 9E-DE-3142874 (U//~~FOUO~~) Former U.S. Army Major Claims
Abuse by U.S. Government and Threatens
Disclosure of Classified Information

Responsible Organization: DETROIT

Agency Contacted: Other Federal Agency on 03/11/2021 via Email

POC: [REDACTED]

Work: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

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Disseminated On: 03/11/2021 (Once)

Dissemination Details: (U) Summary of information relating to threats articulated by the subject of assessment (closed) 9E-DE-3142874, in anticipation subject is relocating to Shepherd or Newberry, Michigan. Information recipient, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] with the Veterans Justice Outreach Program located at the Adela E Lutz VA Medical Center in Saginaw, Michigan. [REDACTED] was contacted by telephone and confirmed he is is the POC for the threat information to be shared.

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Method: Written

Follow-up Required (SSTF): No

Disseminated Serials:

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Title: (U) Request Authorization to share information with Veterans
Administration, Saginaw Michigan,

Re: 9E-DE-3142874, 03/11/2021

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UNCLASSIFIED//~~FOUO~~**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION****Electronic Communication**

Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Notifications regarding former
Detroit Assessment subject and U.S. Army
Veteran Ian Fishback

Date: 04/08/2021

CC: [REDACTED]

From: DETROIT

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Contact: [REDACTED]

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Approved By: SSRA [REDACTED]

Drafted By: [REDACTED]

Case ID #: 9E-DE-3142874

(U//~~FOUO~~) Former U.S. Army Major Claims
Abuse by U.S. Government and Threatens
Disclosure of Classified Information

Synopsis: (U//~~FOUO~~) Notifications regarding former Detroit Assessment
subject and U.S. Army Veteran Ian Fishback

Details:

Assessment [REDACTED]

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This communication updates recent reporting concerning the activities and location of former Detroit Division assessment subject IAN FISHBACK ([REDACTED] Closed 09/23/2019). FISHBACK is a U.S. Army Veteran (Major) and, as of December 2020, was enrolled as a Doctoral Candidate in Philosophy at the University of Michigan. FISHBACK defended his dissertation in December 2020 but, as of 03/04/2021, has yet to finalize several minor formatting elements that must be completed before publication of the dissertation and formal award of the PhD.

Detroit's assessment was opened on 07/17/2019 following a report sent

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Title: (U//~~FOUO~~) Notifications regarding former Detroit Assessment subject and U.S. Army Veteran Ian Fishback

Re: 9E-DE-3142874, 04/08/2021

to FBI Detroit by the University of Michigan Police Department. The report detailed an April 2019 Philosophy Department "Town Hall" meeting where FISHBACK communicated to peers and professors that he believed it would be justifiable for a person to kill someone if that person believed another had violated that person's liberty. No one attending the "Town Hall" interpreted FISHBACK's statements as a direct threat to harm any person.

On 04/25/2019 FISHBACK flew to Europe for conferences and a speaking tour concerning "Just War" Theory. The trip included a stop at Oxford University. The travel was financed by the University of Michigan Philosophy Department. On 04/29/2019 FISHBACK sent an email to the University of Michigan Philosophy Department that criticized the Department and its students. FISHBACK wrote that he anticipated he might be leaving the University and complained that fellow graduate students lacked the intellect and honor required of professional scholars entrusted with moral education. FISHBACK complained the Philosophy Department "stole years of" FISHBACK's life. FISHBACK wrote that he had discouraged others from attending the University of Michigan and indicated he would not entrust his daughter to the University's care if she was of the age to attend. FISHBACK wrote that, if members of the Department thought FISHBACK was alone in his views, they were "ignorant." FISHBACK was then blocked from sending Department-wide emails by the Philosophy Department Chair.

Detroit assessed that FISHBACK had had some interaction with mental health providers in Michigan, including the Veterans Administration, but determined he was probably not fully invested in his treatment. FISHBACK communicated that he felt that he had been under surveillance by the United States Government for many years for the purpose of discrediting him. Interviewees in the assessment included [REDACTED]
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[redacted] The assessment was closed in September 2019 on grounds
that no federal criminal activity was identified.

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March 2021 Update

On 03/03/2021 [redacted] contacted FBI
Detroit Special Agent [redacted] and reported [redacted] had
additional information regarding FISHBACK.

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